

"DID NOT CLIMB MOUNT MCKINLEY"

Party Not Nearer than Fourteen Miles to Top of Alaska Mountain

SWORN STATEMENT BY DR. COOK'S GUIDE

Affidavit Made Before Notary Public at Tacoma, Wash., on Oct. 4, Just Received in New York—Explorer Astonished at Statement Made by Guide Edward Barrill—Guide is Soon Coming East, Says Dr. Cook, When the Whole Matter will be Explained.

New York, Oct. 14.—The Globe this afternoon prints a copy of the affidavit made by Edwin N. Barrill, who accompanied Dr. Frederick A. Cook at the time he announced his reaching the summit of Mount McKinley. The affidavit was made before a notary public at Tacoma, Wash., on October 4, and has just been received in New York. It states that the party was not nearer than fourteen miles distant from the summit of that mountain, the elevation of which is estimated at 20,000 feet. Barrill's affidavit also brings into question a number of the photographs which Dr. Cook has given out as representing the summit, and other high altitudes of Mt. McKinley. Corroborated by Photographer Miller.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 14.—Walter P. Miller of this city, photographer of Dr. Cook's Mount McKinley expedition, has made an affidavit corroborating the sworn statement of Edward Barrill, published in the New York Globe today. When shown Barrill's statement, Mr. Miller said it was correct. Miller says he has photographs and maps that fully confirm the statement of Barrill.

New York Influence at Work.

The affidavits of Barrill, Miller and others were sworn to in the office of James M. Ashton, an attorney of Tacoma, who was retained by certain interests in New York, said to be the Peary Arctic club, to investigate the alleged ascent of the great Alaska peak by Dr. Cook.

AFFIDAVIT MADE BY PHOTOGRAPHER MILLER

Who Accompanied the Cook Expedition to Mount McKinley.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 14.—Walter P. Miller, photographer of the Cook expedition to Mount McKinley in 1906, made the following affidavit today, which is published by the Seattle Times.

Mr. Miller's Signed Statement.

"I was a member of the Dr. Cook Mount McKinley expedition that left Seattle in June, 1906, for Alaska, for the purpose of climbing Mount McKinley. In the party were Dr. Frederick A. Cook, Robert S. Dunn, Ralph J. Shainwald, Fred Printz and myself. After making two attempts to make the mountain that year and failing, we returned to Seattle in August.

"On May 17, 1908, Dr. Cook again left Seattle with a party for Alaska for the purpose of climbing Mount McKinley. In that party were Dr. Cook, Herschel Parker, Russell W. Porter, Belmont Brown, Ed Barrill, Fred Printz, S. P. Beecher and myself. We landed at Tyonek on Cook's inlet, about May 28, 1908, with twenty pack horses and a power boat for the Seward river. Barrill, Printz and Beecher took the power boat and met us on the headwaters of the Seward river, about 120 miles from Cook inlet.

"After exploring the country there for a suitable route to Mount McKinley, the ascent was abandoned for that year and our party divided. Professor Parker returned to New York, Porter, the topographer, is staying at that vicinity for the purpose of mapping the country. Brown and Beecher went to the Matanuska and Printz and I to the Kuskokwim on a hunting trip.

"Cook, Barrill and a man named Docket left in the launch, going down the Seward river, and then to the Chukotka and into the Toklatna, where they left the boat. From the time Cook and Barrill left us at the headwaters of the Seward river, I and I started on our hunting trip and we met them at Sastina station, September 22. I know nothing of their movements except what was told me by Barrill.

"Whenever I asked Barrill concerning the ascent he always referred me to Cook.

"Ask the doctor about it," he would answer, "he told me not to say anything about it."

"Cook told the story of the ascent to the reversing of the current. Later I met Barrill in Missoula, where he told me the facts of the trip. He said neither he nor Dr. Cook made the summit of Mount McKinley, and pointed out to me on the map the different camps and the point which Cook claimed was the summit of Mount McKinley. The point is fully twenty miles from the summit.

"A fortnight ago I was asked by an attorney for an exploration club, with headquarters in New York, to bring Barrill and Printz to Tacoma for the purpose of making affidavits as to the actual facts of the trip to Mount McKinley. These affidavits have been made.

"I met Barrill in Seattle on May 16, 1908. I knew nothing of him up to that time. Fred Printz was head packer for the expedition. I took Barrill along as an assistant. I had not particular reason to doubt Cook's word at the time we joined him after our hunting trip, and he told us he had been to the top of Mount McKinley. The feat hardly seemed possible, but I gave the matter little thought until Barrill told me the point they actually reached.

(Signed) "WALTER P. MILLER."

RECORDS DEPOSITED AT SUMMIT OF PEAK

Dr. Cook Cannot Understand Why Barrill Made Such Statement.

Atlantic City, N. J., Oct. 14.—Exploring expedition at the statement of Edward Barrill, Dr. Cook maintained today that he expected to the summit of Mount McKinley and that if an expedition will follow the route he took it will find the records deposited by him at the summit of the peak. Referring to Barrill's sworn statement, Dr. Cook said to a representative of the Associated Press:

Always on Friendly Terms.

"I cannot really understand why Barrill should have made such a statement as the newspapers represent."

due if he is acting under normal conditions. I must say it surprises me. We were always on the most friendly terms. Until I know of the conditions under which this alleged affidavit was made I will make no specific reply to it. My account of the trip has been published. For the present it is the bald statement of one man against another. If an expedition of experienced mountaineers will follow the route that I took and will go to the top of Mount McKinley they will find there the records which I deposited on attaining the summit of the mountain in the manner described in my book 'To the Top of the Continent.'

Some Light on the Affair.

"I have always had the most complete confidence in Barrill and cannot comprehend why he should have sworn to such a story. The fact that General Hubbard is proprietor of the Globe throws a light on the affair which was not previously apparent. I shall see Barrill, I hope, when I reach New York, but I do not know when or where."

It appears to me that there was money behind his statement. He was perhaps annoyed that he had not been paid his wages, but that was not my reason for making the statement as I got back from the pole."

Hearty Reception at Atlantic City.

Dr. Cook met with a hearty reception here. Several thousand persons cheered him as he stepped out of the station. A military guard of honor composed of the City Troop presented arms as he entered his carriage and the troops acted as the explorer's escort through the city. A reception was held at the Hotel Marlborough-Blenheim, at which the members of the city council were presented to Dr. Cook by Mayor Stoy.

HAD MONEY BEEN OFFERED

For Information Regarding Cook's Climb of McKinley.

Philadelphia, Oct. 14.—"We have learned that money had been offered for information regarding the ascent of Mount McKinley," said Dr. Cook today. "I have not paid any particular attention to the talk regarding that trip because I did not think it was worth while. I will not speak of it until Barrill returns east. He is coming east now. Since my return to the country I have had only a short message from him. That was in the form of a telegram asking him to come east and he replied he could not do so at that moment."

Barrill Not Paid in Full for His Services.

"Is there any reason why Barrill should make the assertion that you did not reach the summit of Mount McKinley?" Dr. Cook was asked. "The answer was no. I paid him for all of his services, but neither were others. It was just an oversight."

"Do you think that would make him vindictive?"

"Regarding his ascent of Mount McKinley, Dr. Cook emphatically said he had sufficient evidence to prove the ascent was not made. He said that if he had other photographs than the most frequently published one of himself on the summit of the peak, Dr. Cook would be satisfied."

"That picture was not taken of me. That was a picture of Barrill. We took pictures from every possible angle but many of them did not turn out well and were not published."

DR. COOK AND HIS EKIMOS.

He Says They Will Be Brought Here to Disprove Peary Stories—His Own Claim Based on His Data.

Philadelphia, Oct. 14.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Arctic explorer, arrived here today from Buffalo and will leave this afternoon for Atlantic City, where he will be a guest tonight at a dinner given by the National Hard-water association. Speaking for publication, he said today:

"There is a mistaken impression among the public that I am bringing the Eskimos to New York to prove that I have reached the top of the mountain. Their coming here is to disprove the story they were made to tell by Cook and Peary and his party. They certainly will have been doing nothing that they have been to the pole with me, but I rely on my own data to prove my claim."

FREEDOM OF NEW YORK CITY

CONFERRED UPON DR. COOK

Ceremonies to Take Place Today at City Hall Reception.

New York, Oct. 14.—An illuminated address conferred upon Dr. Frederick A. Cook the freedom of New York City was signed today by Mayor George B. McClellan and President Patrick J. McGowan of the board of aldermen.

This honor, which is seldom accorded, will be formally conferred upon Dr. Cook at a reception at the City hall tomorrow at a reception at the City hall hereafter arranged.

Plans for the ceremony were completed today at a conference of aldermen. It was decided that a sub-committee of the board of aldermen should call tomorrow at the Waldorf-Astoria to notify Dr. Cook of the honor which awaits him, and to escort him, his wife, and other guests to City hall. Addresses will be made by Dr. Roswell O. Stebbins, chairman of the executive committee of the Arctic club of America, and Anthony Fiala, the explorer and others, and the gold medal which the city voted to award Dr. Cook will be presented. The aldermanic chamber will be appropriately decorated for the occasion.

Billard Co. Asks for Increase in Capital Stock.

Hartford, Oct. 14.—The Billard Co. of Meriden today filed with the secretary of state papers asking for an increase in capital stock of from \$300,000 to \$2,000,000. The papers were signed by John L. Billard, L. L. and Samuel Hemingway.

Germany frowning on skyscrapers or anything approaching them.

Cabled Paragraphs

Bergen, Norway, Oct. 14.—The Norwegian steamer, *Serk*, small freighter, founded today off Molde. The crew of twelve men was lost.

Brussels, Oct. 14.—The socialist today declared a boycott against Spanish goods and resolved to keep the flag at their headquarters at half mast until the execution of Ferrer is avenged.

Queenstown, Oct. 14.—John O'Callaghan, national secretary, and Capt. Edward O. Condon, the delegates from the United Irish League of the United States, who have just concluded a successful tour of Ireland, sailed for home today on the steamship *Oceanic*. They were given a demonstrative farewell by a large party, which included the nationalist members of the house of commons and others, representative of various political and labor organizations in Ireland.

HAILE CLUB MEETING.

New Vice President Elected—Entertainment by Stunt Club.

The monthly business meeting of the Haile club, followed by a delightful entertainment, was held Thursday evening in the club rooms at No. 142 Main street. At the business meeting, Miss Alice, who was elected vice president to take the place of Miss Elsie Kemerson, who is now residing out of town. Tickets for the Japanese field and chrysanthemum show and also the big ball, both coming next month, were distributed, and both these events were discussed. Announcement was made of the next social evening in two weeks, at which will probably be the entertainment.

After the business meeting the Stunt club of the entertainment, before an audience of about 120. The girls in the club rendered the following program: Goin' dance, interpretation of *Lesdore*, *Dumpe*, *Nicole*, a song entitled *Obadiah Swing Me Higher*, a recitation called *The Jaberwock*, a solo, *I'm dead of Living Without You*, and the *Bugleboon*.

BROADWAY THEATER.

The Broken Idol.

Broadway theater held a good sized and delighted audience on Thursday evening. The Broken Idol, musical piece, presented by E. C. Whitney, occupied the boards and proved to be one of the best of the season's attractions. It is in the same class with the *Isle of Sodor*, which has been so popular here, and put on by the same management. There is that about it which reminds one of the *Isle of Sodor*, which has been so popular here, and put on by the same management. There is that about it which reminds one of the *Isle of Sodor*, which has been so popular here, and put on by the same management.

It was a fine staged and costumed and especially pleasing was the song *Love Make Me the World Go Round*, and the whistling solo by Otis Harlan was a big hit.

An added attraction was the appearance in the chorus of Miss Jennie Vera McCall of this city, who at the opening of the second act has the closing of the opening song, *Forever I Am*, pleasingly heard. She received a big hand. Otis Harlan is the center of attraction, and his work was exceptionally good. He sang a small part as the Chinese girl, but it was work that pleased. As *Silas*, George Richards furnished fun galore, while J. Ely Madeline, who played the role of Otto Hoffman, put interest into his character as a laugh. May Larue as the girl who has much loved had a pleasing and attractive part, and her songs were well sung. For the first time as Jack Mason was good, and his duet with May Larue was one of the pleasing features of the show. David Anderson as Lord Dundreary was a typical chappie while the remainder of the company was well chosen to give the proper support. The balcony ascended after altering a few minor details had the audience guessing as to how it was done.

Odd Fellows' Corporation.

Several of the officers and the board of management of the Odd Fellows' corporation, Fairview, Groton, visited the home Monday afternoon for the purpose of attending to several matters in connection with the corporation. Frank E. Green of Norwich was in attendance.

Board of Trade Meeting.

The next monthly meeting of the Norwich Board of Trade will be held at 8 o'clock. A short business meeting will be followed by a reception of the visiting committee of the museum of safety and sanitation of New York. The purpose of this lecture is to familiarize business men, manufacturers and employers with methods used in foreign countries to prevent accidents and to control vocational diseases. This lecture is delivered at the request of the Board of Trade.

Suit Against the City.

A suit against the city for \$5,000 damages has been brought by C. W. Connors, alleging that it is necessary to take down and rebuild the retaining wall in his property in Pond street because of the city's failure to provide for the carrying off of surplus water. The suit was filed in the city court.

Norwich Business Men's Association.

A meeting of the Norwich Business Men's association was held Thursday evening at the Buckingham Memorial and adjourned for a week after talking over plans for active work this fall. In the absence of President Thomas E. Burns, the meeting was conducted by Secretary C. W. Peabody.

Inventory at Almshouse.

For the first time in fourteen years, according to First Selectman Lillibridge, an inventory is being taken at the almshouse. Attorney T. J. Kelly has the matter in charge.

She-Oh, George, you've broken your promise! The Cheerful One—Never mind, dearie, I'll make you another—Comic Cuts.

Gaynor a Tool of Tammany Hall

HIS RECORD ON THE BENCH BITTERLY ASSAILED.

"AN INTELLECTUAL FREAK"

Declares Wm. M. Ivins, a Republican, at Hearst Meeting—Gaynor Meeting Disturbed by Militant Suffragettes.

New York, Oct. 14.—Two of the trio of candidates for mayor of Greater New York kept up the agitation of the daily quickening campaign by speeches in Manhattan and Brooklyn, respectively, tonight. William J. Gaynor, former supreme court justice, and the democratic nominee, crossed over from his home section in Brooklyn and made his first appearance since the campaign started in Manhattan proper. Otto T. Bunker Fox, the republican nominee, reversed this and made a series of speeches in Brooklyn.

Gaynor's Hearers Disappointed.

The greatest interest centered in Gaynor's appearance in the expectation that he would answer in detail the charges that have been made against him.

In this respect his hearers were disappointed. He did not answer the charges at length, but declared, as he has done before, that his record must be the answer to his detractors.

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Ivins Denounced Gaynor at Hearst Meeting.

At the Hearst meeting William M. Ivins, a republican, confined himself to repeating Gaynor's record in general terms, and then, as being one of the instances where the judge erred.

"I have already shown what his attitude was in the case of the race track gamblers," said Ivins, "and have shown how he endeavored to reverse the constitution of the state of New York in the aid of a corrupt conspiracy, and I shall keep on going through his record day after day until he has reached the final hour which precedes his political funeral. There are at least six things which I shall keep on going through his record day after day until he has reached the final hour which precedes his political funeral."

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Bank Robber Identified

CHICAGO POLICE SATISFIED ON THIS POINT.

LAMAR A HARRIS, ATTORNEY

Of Los Angeles, the Man Who Committed Suicide Wednesday, When Run Down by the Authorities.

Chicago, Oct. 14.—The Chicago police were satisfied tonight that the man who robbed the bank of D. M. Erskine & Co. at Highland Park, Ill., Wednesday and committed suicide when run down by the authorities, was Lamar H. Harris of Los Angeles, an attorney.

Vaudeville Actress Gives Information.

Late today Miss May Harrington, a vaudeville actress appearing here, told the authorities that she met Harris in Los Angeles and that he looked her up in Chicago a few days ago.

She said she met Harris at a local hotel. She said she did not know him, but she said she met him at a local hotel.

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Condensed Telegrams

Secretary Nagel Will Take Part in the republican campaign in Virginia.

A Ten Year Old Boy Was Arrested for passing a counterfeit half dollar.

Japanese Poachers Are Reported to be raiding the seal rookeries of Alaska.

Carlos C. Alden, Governor Hughes' legal adviser, has resigned on account of ill health.

Many Applicants Are After the Place as civilian member of the Mississippi river commission.

The American Colony at Buenos Ayres is to present Argentina with a state of Washington.

The Chamber of Commerce endorsed the plan to secure the next aviation meet for College park.

Three Employees in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing may be ousted for having a new comers.

The Mercury Bank to 17 Degrees above zero at Norfolk, Neb., according to the government thermometer.

The Villagers of Paolosa, Russia, lynched seven men who brutally mistreated and killed three women.

Chanler Hale of Maine, a son of Senator Hale, assumed the duties of third assistant secretary of state.

A Petition Asking President Taft for clemency toward Charles W. Morse, the former banker, is being prepared.

The Large Guayule Rubber Factory at Marathon, Tex., has been moved into the hands of the Continental Rubber company.

Husbands of All Kinds and Shapes and sizes and conditions of servitude will be on display Saturday evening at Chicago.

A Number of Aeroplanes Exhibited in Paris were seized on the charge that they infringed on the Wright Brothers' patents.

Gov. T. M. Campbell and military staff left Austin for El Paso, where he will extend an official welcome to President Taft.

A Warrant Was Issued for L. L. Bailey, a money lender of Denver, charging violation of a law passed by the last legislature.

Albany, N. Y., Was Selected as the meeting place of a supreme divan of the Order of the Alhambra before it adjourned.

John J. Waterbury Was Elected a director of the Pacific Coast company at the annual meeting of the stockholders in Jersey City.

The Court of Appeals Again Failed to render its decision in the contempt case against Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison.

Visits Were Made to the Clearing house, sub-treasury and stock exchange of New York by the honorary commercial commissioners of Japan.

The Blast Furnaces at Bessemer, Ala., were closed down when negro employees walked out following a shooting affray in which two negroes were hurt.

S. H. Howard of Gettysburg, S. D., has been for some time working on the model of a boat by which he believes he can revolutionize traffic on western rivers.

Henry L. Jones, Secretary of the American embassy at Rio de Janeiro, was married at Valparaiso to Anita Adriani, a Chilean woman, noted for her beauty.

BROOKLYN DEMOCRATIC LEADER IN SERIOUS CONDITION.